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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed on April 29, 2004, Applicants hereby submit a copy of a Partial International Search Report from the European Patent Office that was mailed on June 16, 2004, with respect to patent family member International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/000853, in which the European Patent Examiner cited the following documents:

U.S. Patent No. 4,467,165 to KIUCHI et al., which issued on August 21, 1984; Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-208469, which was published on July 26, 2002, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-236429, which was published on August 23, 2002, together with an English language Abstract of the same.

The category of relevance, pertinent portions, and claims to which each document is relevant, as ascertained by the European Examiner applying the appropriate rules to the European claims are as set forth in the International Search Report.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), a copy of the U.S. patent is not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign documents are attached hereto and all of the documents have been listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to the Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material. However, if an Office Action on the merits has issued and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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